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## BUILDING AND SANITARY COMMITTEE.

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Councillor ALAN WOOD, C.C. (Chairman of the Council).

Councillor W. BLAKELEY (Vice-Chairman).

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Councillor F. W. PEACOCK (Chairman).

Councillor E. POPPLEWELL (Vice-Chairman).

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### SANITARY INSPECTORS :

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR : H. C. WOOD, C. R. San. I.,  
C. Meat Inspection, R.S.I.  
D. BOOTHMAN, C. S. I. Board,  
C. Meat Inspection, R.S.I.  
G. N. DEAN, C. S. I. Board,  
C. Meat Inspection, R.S.I.

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### MEDICAL OFFICER OF THE ISOLATION HOSPITAL :

C. H. SYKES, L.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

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### VETERINARY SURGEON :

R. HAYES, M.R.C.V.S. (Part-time).

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### MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH :

W. BERTRAM HILL, M.D., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Medical Officer of Health for the Combined Public Health District of Selby Urban, and Tadcaster, Selby, Goole and Derwent Rural Districts ; Medical Superintendent of the Tadcaster Isolation Hospital, the Selby Joint Isolation Hospital, and the Tadcaster, Selby, Pontefract and Hemsworth Joint Small-pox Hospital.

Fellow of and Member of the Examination Board of the Royal Sanitary Institute.

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TO THE CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE  
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

MR. CHAIRMAN, MRS. RILEY AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary Administration of the Rural District for the year 1937.

The Report is an "ordinary" Report, and therefore mainly statistical.

The Birth Rate for the year is 14·8 per 1,000 population, being ·3 per 1,000 less than the previous year. The Rate for the country as a whole is 14·9.

The Death Rate is 11·9 per 1,000 population, compared with a rate of 10·9 for the year 1936, and with a rate of 12·4 for the whole country.

The Infant Mortality Rate is 62·7 per 1,000 births, and is 9·8 per 1,000 in excess of the rate for the previous year. The rate for the country as a whole is 58 per 1,000 births.

I have to record a slight decline in the incidence of Acute Infectious Disease.

It will be noted that under the heading of "Population" two estimates are given. This is occasioned by the fact that the constitution of the District underwent a change on the 1st April, when the greater part of the Bishopthorpe Rural District and two Parishes from the Selby Rural District became incorporated with the Tadcaster Rural District. The figure marked "a" represents the population of the re-constituted District at the mid-year 1937. The figure marked "b" is a composite figure employed in calculating the various vital statistics.

The various tables indicate the progress which has been made in dealing with the duties under the Housing Acts.

I desire to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their support during the year.

My thanks are also due to the Staff of the Department for their co-operation.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient servant,

W. BERTRAM HILL.

	Legitimate.		Illegitimate.			Total.	
	29	...	...	1	...	30	
Deaths from Measles (all ages)				...	...	...	1
„ Whooping Cough				...	...	...	1
„ Diarrhœa (under 2 years)				...	...	...	1
„ Scarlet Fever...				...	...	...	0
„ Diphtheria				...	...	...	6
„ Enteric				...	...	...	0



## SECTION I.

### VITAL STATISTICS.

Population (1931 Census)	...	...	30,386	{	15,537 Males. 14,849 Females.
Population (1937 Mid-year)	...	...	...	{	32,920 (a). 32,360 (b).

### BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATE.

478 births were registered—243 males and 235 females—furnishing a birth rate of 14·8 per 1,000 population, compared with 15·1 per 1,000 for the previous year.

The rate for England and Wales is 14·9 per 1,000.

16 births were illegitimate.

STILL BIRTHS.—16 still births are recorded by the Registrar-General, giving a rate of ·49 per 1,000 population, compared with a rate of ·60 for the country as a whole.

### DEATHS AND DEATH RATE.

385 deaths—182 males and 203 females—were registered, furnishing a death rate of 11·9 per 1,000, compared with a rate of 10·9 per 1,000 for the previous year.

The rate for England and Wales is 12·4 per 1,000.

The Registrar-General has supplied a “Comparability Factor,” by which the crude death rate of the Area, viz., 11·9, should be multiplied in order to make it comparable, from a mortality point of view, with the crude death rate of the country as a whole or with the mortality of any local area.

The crude death rate of the Rural District is 11·9 per 1,000, and when multiplied by this factor (1·05) becomes 12·4 per 1,000.

## INFANTILE MORTALITY RATE.

THE NOTIFICATION OF BIRTHS ACT, 1907-1915.

The above Act is administered by the County Council.

30 infants died before reaching the age of one year.

The Infantile Mortality Rate is 62·7 per 1,000 births, being 9·8 in excess of the rate for the previous year.

The rate for England and Wales is 58 per 1,000 births.

Table IV. shows the age distribution of these deaths.

Average Rate 1930-1934, 63·6 per 1,000 births.

## TUBERCULOSIS DEATH RATE.

### PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

Average 1930—1934	...	·44 per 1,000
1935	...	·59 „
1936	...	·62 „
1937	...	·40 „

### NON-PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

Average 1930—1934	...	·19 per 1,000
1935	...	·26 „
1936	...	·16 „
1937	...	·06 „

## RESPIRATORY DEATH RATE.

*i.e.*, Deaths due to Bronchitis, Pneumonia.

Average 1930—1934	...	1·3 per 1,000
1935	...	1·3 „
1936	...	·75 „
1937	...	1·30 „

## ZYMOTIC DEATH RATE.

Average 1930—1934	...	·39 per 1,000
1935	...	·06 „
1936	...	·26 „
1937	...	·28 „

## CANCER DEATH RATE.

Average 1930—1934	...	1·27 per 1,000
1935	...	1·4 „
1936	...	1·1 „
1937	...	1·4 „

## INFANTILE MORTALITY.

Nett Deaths from stated causes at various ages under 1 year.

CAUSES OF DEATH.			Under 1 week.	1-2 weeks.	2-3 weeks.	3-4 weeks.	Total under 4 weeks.	4 weeks and under 3 months.	3 months and under 6 months.	6 months and under 9 months.	9 months and under 12 months.	Total Deaths under 1 year.
All causes	Certified ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Uncertified ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Small-pox	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chicken-pox	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Measles	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Scarlet Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Whooping Cough	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Diphtheria and Croup	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erysipelas	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tuberculous Meningitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	1
Abdominal Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other Tuberculous Diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Meningitis (not Tuberculous)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Convulsions	..	..	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Laryngitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Bronchitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Pneumonia (all forms)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	2
Diarrhœa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Enteritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Gastritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1
Syphilis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Rickets	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Suffocation, overlying	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1
Injury at Birth	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Atelectasis	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Congenital Malformations	..	3	..	..	..	3	..	2	..	..	..	5
Premature Birth	..	5	..	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	5
Atrophy, Debility, and Marasmus	..	2	..	..	1	3	..	..	..	..	..	3
Other causes	..	3	..	..	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	4
Totals	..	14	..	..	2	16	3	4	1	3	27	

Nett Births in the year { Legitimate, 462.  
 { Illegitimate, 16.

Nett Deaths in the year { Legitimate Infants, 29.  
 { Illegitimate Infants, 1.

## CAUSES of DEATH in TADCASTER RURAL DISTRICT, 1937.

						Males.	Females
ALL CAUSES .. .. .						182	203
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers .. .. .						—	—
Measles .. .. .						1	—
Scarlet Fever .. .. .						—	—
Whooping Cough .. .. .						1	—
Diphtheria .. .. .						3	3
Influenza .. .. .						5	6
Encephalitis Lethargica .. .. .						—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever .. .. .						1	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis .. .. .						5	8
Other Tuberculosis .. .. .						—	2
Syphilis .. .. .						—	1
General Paralysis of Insane, etc. .. .. .						3	—
Cancer .. .. .						21	25
Diabetes .. .. .						2	9
Cerebral Hæmorrhage .. .. .						12	15
Heart Disease .. .. .						48	46
Aneurysm .. .. .						—	1
Other Circulatory .. .. .						11	10
Bronchitis .. .. .						5	15
Pneumonia .. .. .						12	5
Other Respiratory .. .. .						2	3
Peptic Ulcer .. .. .						1	—
Diarrhœa, etc. (under 2 years) .. .. .						—	1
Appendicitis .. .. .						—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver .. .. .						—	1
Other Liver Diseases .. .. .						2	2
Other Digestive .. .. .						—	3
Nephritis .. .. .						4	5
Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .						—	1
Other Puerperal .. .. .						—	2
Congenital Causes, .. .. .						8	9
Senility .. .. .						5	11
Suicide .. .. .						—	3
Other Violence .. .. .						12	4
Other Defined Causes .. .. .						19	11
Ill-defined Causes .. .. .						—	—
Special Causes (included in above):							
Small-pox .. .. .						—	—
Poliomyelitis .. .. .						—	—
Polioencephalitis .. .. .						—	—
Deaths of Infants under one year	{ Total .. .. .					13	17
	{ Legitimate .. .. .					12	17
	{ Illegitimate .. .. .					1	—
LIVE BIRTHS	{ Total .. .. .					243	235
	{ Legitimate .. .. .					236	226
	{ Illegitimate .. .. .					7	9
STILLBIRTHS	{ Total .. .. .					10	6
	{ Legitimate .. .. .					9	6
	{ Illegitimate .. .. .					1	—
POPULATION .. .. .						32,920 (a)	
						32,360 (b)	
C.F. .. .. .						1.05	

							MALES.	FEMALES.
ALL CAUSES	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	8
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Measles	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Scarlet Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Whooping Cough	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Diphtheria	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Influenza	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Encephalitis Lethargica	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Cerebro-spinal Fever	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Respiratory Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	1
Other Tuberculosis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Syphilis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
General Paralysis of Insane, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Cancer	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Diabetes	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	—
Cerebral Hæmorrhage	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Heart Disease	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2
Aneurysm	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Other Circulatory	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	—
Bronchitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	1
Pneumonia	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Other Respiratory	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Peptic Ulcer	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Diarrhœa, etc. (under 2 years)	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Appendicitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Cirrhosis of Liver	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1
Other Liver Diseases	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Other Digestive	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Nephritis	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	—
Puerperal Sepsis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Other Puerperal	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Congenital Causes	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Senility	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	2
Suicide	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Other Violence	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	—
Other Defined Causes	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Ill-defined Causes	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Special Causes (included in above) :								
Small-pox	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Poliomyelitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Polioencephalitis	..	..	..	..	..	..	—	—
Deaths of Infants under 1 year	{	Total	..	..	..	..	—	1
		Legitimate	..	..	..	..	—	1
		Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	—	—
LIVE BIRTHS	{	Total	..	..	..	..	7	5
		Legitimate	..	..	..	..	6	5
		Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	1	—
STILLBIRTHS	{	Total	..	..	..	..	—	—
		Legitimate	..	..	..	..	—	—
		Illegitimate	..	..	..	..	—	—
POPULATION	..	..	..	..	..	..	889	
C.F.	..	94						

## SECTION II.

### GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES.

#### STAFF OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH :		W. BERTRAM HILL,
Medical Superintendent of the Isolation		M.D., etc.
Hospital and of the Joint Small-pox		(Acting for the Selby
Hospital ... ..		Combined District).
Medical Officer in charge of Patients in		C. H. SYKES, L.R.C.P.
the Isolation Hospital ... ..		(Part time).

#### SANITARY INSPECTORS.

CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR :	H. C. WOOD, C.R. San. I.,
	Cert. Meat I.R.S.I.
	appointed Senior Inspector under S.O.
	Order 1922.
	D. BOOTHMAN, C. S. I. Board,
	Cert. Meat I.R.S.I.
	G. N. DEAN, C. S. I. Board,
	Cert. Meat I.R.S.I.

#### HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION.

##### GENERAL INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

SITUATION	...	...	Garforth Cliff, within the Garforth Urban District.
ACCOMMODATION	...	Diphtheria ... ..	8 Beds
		Enteric Fever ... ..	8 Beds
		Scarlet Fever ... ..	12 Beds—Total 28
STAFF	...	...	MATRON : Registered Nurse ;
			Certified General and Fever Training.
			SISTER : Registered Nurse ;
			Certified General Training.
			PROBATIONERS : Four.
			DOMESTIC STAFF ; Porter and Wife ; Maids.
POPULATION SERVED	...	Tadcaster R.D. ... ..	30,386
		Garforth U.D. ... ..	3,744
			} 34,160

The Council has under consideration a Re-construction Scheme in connection with the Hospital, including the provision of a Cubicle Block, a new Scarlet Fever Ward, and Extensions to the Administrative Block.

Several factors have contributed to the delay in the carrying out of this very essential Re-construction Scheme. The buildings are of wood and iron, are becoming worn out and requiring repeated repairs, and the accommodation for the nursing staff is very inadequate.

## PATIENTS TREATED DURING THE YEAR :—

From	Scarlet Fever.	Diph- theria	Enteric.	Diph- theria Carriers.	Other Diseases	Ery- sipelas.	Total.
Tadcaster R. D. ...	56	63	...	12	5	...	136
Garforth U. D. ...	16	50	1	...	1	1	69
	72	113	1	12	6	1	205

There were 6 deaths due to Diphtheria.

Of the above 205 Patients, 12 cases of Diphtheria were treated in the Selby Joint Isolation Hospital.

Eight Diphtheria Carriers were also admitted into the Selby Isolation Hospital (from the Micklefield Elementary School).

## SMALL-POX HOSPITAL ACCOMMODATION.

THE PONTEFRACT, TADCASTER, SELBY, AND HEMSWORTH  
JOINT HOSPITAL.

SITUATION.—Sherburn-in-Elmet, within the Tadcaster R. D.

ACCOMMODATION.—40 Beds (including 6 Single Bed Wards).

STAFF.—*Superintendent* ... The Medical Officer of Health.

*Domestic* ... ... Porter and Wife.

*Nursing Staff* ... Engaged when necessary.

The Hospital has not been in commission during the year.

## VACCINATION REGULATIONS, 1917.

No action was taken during the year.

## BACTERIOLOGICAL AND CHEMICAL WORK.

All bacteriological work is carried out in the Laboratory provided by the County Council, and Chemical Analyses by the Public Analyst.

Diphtheria.	Sputum.	Water.	Enteric.	Count.	Milk. T. B.	Other.
232 ...	28 ...	1 ...	2 ...	1 ...	3 ...	45

## DISINFECTION.

Houses.	Schools.	Bedding.	Bedding Destroyed.
153 ...	1 ...	—	—



## AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

For Infectious Cases.—Provided by the Rural District Council.

For General Cases.—Provided by several Collieries and a local organisation.

Section 50, P.H.A., 1907, has been adopted, and the following arrangements have been made :—

A.—ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE.—KIPPAX :—To serve the Parishes of Kirk Fenton, South Milford, Saxton, Barkston Ash, Sherburn, Lead, Huddleston, Newton, Ledston, Barwick, Great and Little Preston, Allerton Bywater, Micklefield, Austhorpe, Kippax.

Restricted to Sick and Surgical Stretcher Cases. The Ambulance can be obtained on payment of certain fees, depending upon whether the applicant is a Subscribing Member of the Organisation or not.

B.—The arrangements with the York City Corporation, by which residents in the Eastern portion of the District could obtain the use of the York City Police Ambulance, have been terminated. I am informed that the St. John Ambulance Brigade in Kippax is willing for their ambulance to be used in any part of the Rural District.

## NURSING ARRANGEMENTS, HOSPITALS AND INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH VISITORS AND SCHOOL NURSES.

C.—There are 13 Health Visitors resident in the Rural District.

## CHILD WELFARE CENTRES, SCHOOL AND ANTE-NATAL CLINICS.

Parish.	Where held.	Infant Consultation.	School Clinic.	Ante-natal Clinic.
Allerton	Miners' Welfare	Monday	Monday and	—
Bywater	Institute	2—4	Thursday a.m.	—
Do.	Methodist Sundny	—	—	Third Thurs-
	School			day 2—4
Kippax ...	Trinity Methodist	Tuesday	Tuesday, Thurs-	—
	Chapel	2—4	day (alt.) a.m.	—
Micklefield	Wesleyan Chapel	Tuesday	—	—
		(fort.) 2—4		
South	St. Mary's School-	Tuesday	—	Fourth Friday
Milford	room	(fort.) 2—4		2—4
Swillington	Hut, near Church	Wednesday	—	First Thurs-
		(alt.) 2—4		day 2—4
Tadcaster	Shann House,	Tuesday	Tuesday and	—
	Westgate	(alt.) 2—4	Friday a.m.	



## MIDWIVES ACT, 1936.

Parish.	Employed by the County Council.		District Nurses.	Independent.
	Domiciliary		Parish	Parish.
Little Preston ...	...	1	Ledsham	Kippax
Sherburn ...	...	1	Kirk Fenton	Swillington
Allerton Bywater ...	...	1	Barwick	Aberford
			Aberford	
			Copmanthorpe	
			Healaugh	
			Micklefield	
			Ulleskelf	
			Sherburn	
			Tadcaster	

## HOSPITALS.

MATERNITY.—There is no Maternity Hospital in the area. Many cases, however, are sent to the Maternity Hospital and the Hospital for Women in the City of Leeds.

FOR CHILDREN.—None.

FEVERS.—Provided by the District Council (see *supra*) :—

- |     |                    |     |     |       |
|-----|--------------------|-----|-----|-------|
| (1) | Voluntary...       | ... | ... | None. |
| (2) | County Institution | ... | 30  | Beds. |

# ORDERS, SECTIONS OF ACTS, &c., IN OPERATION IN THE TADCASTER RURAL DISTRICT BY ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF HEALTH.

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ACT.	SECTION.	DESCRIPTION.	PARISH.
Public Health Act, 1875	42	Watering of Streets .. .. .	Kippax and East and West Tadcaster.
Do.	44	Power to make Byelaws, re Cleaning of Foot-paths, Removal of House Refuse, &c.	Whole District.
Do.	45	Provisions of Receptacles, Buildings and Places for Deposit of Rubbish	Barwick-in-Elmet.
Do.	112 & 113	Offensive Trades .. .. .	Whole District.
Do.	154	Power to Purchase Premises for Improvement of Streets	Whole District.
Do.	155 & 160	Power to Regulate Line of Buildings ..	Barwick-in-Elmet.
Do.	169 (2nd and 3rd paras.)	Slaughter-houses .. .. .	Whole District.
Do.	171	Incorporating Provisions of Town Police Clauses Act, 1847, with regard to fires	Acaster Selby, Appleton Roebuck, Askham Bryan, Bilbrough, Bolton Percy, Catterton, Colton, East Tadcaster, Healaugh, Oxtan, Ryther, Steeton, Ulleskelf, West Tadcaster, Barkston, Grimston, Huddleston, Kirkby Wharfe, Kirk Fenton, Lead, Newthorpe, Saxton, Sherburn-in-Elmet, South Milford, Stutton, and Towton.
Public Health Acts, Amendment Act, 1890	Part 3, 16—50	Sanitary and other Provisions .. .. .	Whole District.
Do.	29, 30 & 31	Slaughter-houses .. .. .	Whole District.
Do.	42	Erection of Statues and Monuments ..	West Tadcaster.

**Orders, Sections of Acts, &c., in operation in the Tadcaster Rural District by Order of the Minister of Health.**  
(continued).

ACT.	SECTION.	DESCRIPTION.			PARISH.
Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act, 1890	..	..	..	..	Whole District.
Public Health Acts, Amendment Act, 1907	30 & 33	Repairs and Enclosures of Dangerous Places			Allerton Bywater and Lock Lane S.D.D.
Do.	Part IV. 39, 40, 41	Infectious Diseases	..	..	Whole District.
Do.	42 & 51	Provision and Conversion of Closet Accommodation	..	..	Allerton Bywater, East Tadcaster, Kippax, Micklefield, South Milford, West Tadcaster, and Lock Lane S.D.D.
Do.	57	Offensive Trades ..	..	..	Aberford, Great and Little Preston, Sherburn, and Swillington.
Public Health Act, 1925	13, 14, 15, 16, 20, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33	Streets and Buildings	..	..	Whole District.
Do.	36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 42 & 43	Sanitary Provisions	..	..	Whole District.
Do.	45-50	Vermineous Premises	..	..	Whole District.
Do.	17, 18, 19, 21 & 39	Naming of Streets, &c. ..	..	..	Allerton Bywater, Lock Lane S.D.D., East Tadcaster, Kippax, South Milford, West Tadcaster.
Do.	17, 18, 19 & 21	Naming of Streets, &c. ..	..	..	Barwick-in-Elmet, Micklefield, and Sherburn-in- Elmet.

SMOKE ABATEMENT ACT, 1926.—The Ministry of Health's Byelaw is in force throughout the Area.  
BYELAWS UNDER SEC. 8, H.A., 1930 (Sherburn-in-Elmet).

## SECTION III.

### SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT. WATER SUPPLY.

#### I.—NUMBER OF HOUSES GIVEN AN IMPROVED SUPPLY DURING THE YEAR.

Parish.	Houses.
Allerton Bywater ... ..	57
Kippax ... ..	10
Great and Little Preston ... ..	5

#### II.—NUMBER OF NEW AND EXISTING HOUSES CONNECTED TO THE MAINS :—

Parish.	Houses.	Parish.	Houses.
Aberford ... ..	2	Kirkby Wharfe ... ..	2
Barwick ... ..	42	Ryther ... ..	1
Ledston ... ..	1	Stutton ... ..	1
Kippax ... ..	53	Barkston ... ..	1
Allerton Bywater ... ..	22	South Milford ... ..	37
Kirk Fenton... ..	2	Tadcaster ... ..	53
Sherburn ... ..	30	Bilbrough ... ..	3
Swillington ... ..	3	Gt. and L. Preston ... ..	22
Ulleskelf ... ..	6	Askham Bryan ... ..	3

A Table is provided at the end of this Section which shows the number of houses connected to the water mains, and also the number of houses in each parish.

Eighty-three per cent. of the houses in the Rural Area are provided with a piped supply of water.

EXTENSION OF WATER MAINS.—The mains have been extended in the undermentioned Parishes :—

Barwick	Allerton Bywater
Tadcaster	Sherburn

## SPECIAL REPORT TO THE DISTRICT COUNCIL.

## BILBROUGH WATER WORKS.

*To the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee  
(Section A).*

Adverting to my Annual Report for the year 1936, in which I state—

“The Medical Officer of Health has directed the attention of the Council to the not very satisfactory conditions prevailing in proximity to the well at the Bilbrough Water Works. Adits have been bored from the well, and one or more of these extend in the direction of a farmyard, and as the sandstone is very near the surface it would seem that there is some risk of deleterious matter being drawn into the well”—

I mentioned at the time that there was an insanitary Box Closet and unprotected manure pit adjacent to the well, and that we were endeavouring to procure the removal of this Box Closet and the installation of a W.C. for the use of the occupants of Manor Farm; this has now been carried out. Work is also being carried out towards erecting a properly constructed manure pit with concrete floor, connected by proper drains to the sewer in the main road.

The works outlined above were delayed in their execution owing to the fact that the Estate has been acquired by a new owner.

I have made a further inspection of the land adjacent to the well, and note the following points:—

- A. Poultry are being kept in close proximity to the engine house.
- B. The absence of any sanitary provision for the workmen.
- C. The cowshed and farmyard drain into a ditch which is contiguous to the boundary of the Council's land. There is a privy midden used in connection with this house, and the drainage from some piggeries is unsatisfactory. Arrangements are being made for the conversion of this privy to a W.C., and for the drainage from the piggeries to be taken by a proper drain to the Council's sewer.
- D. The house owned by the Council has a privy, and this should be replaced by a W.C.
- E. The sewer in the main street should be investigated to ascertain whether or not it is in adequate condition.

It will be appreciated that the situation of this well is not ideal; and from the fact that the immediate gathering ground has been extended by the provision of adits, the exhaustion cones may have become greatly extended, and it would seem, as far as I am able to judge, that there is some degree of risk from contamination.

The Council may consider it advisable to obtain the opinion of a geologist on the matter.

I am of opinion that a Committee should visit these works, in company with myself and the Engineer.

(Signed) W. BERTRAM HILL,

Medical Officer of Health.

## BILBROUGH WATER WORKS.

REPORT ON THE BACTERIOLOGICAL EXAMINATION OF WATER collected from rising main from deep well, Bilbrough, received on the 1st December, 1937.

*Bacterial Content.* Average number of organisms developing on agar plates incubated for two days at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}.$  = 6 per ml. of water. Average number of organisms developing on agar plates incubated for three days at  $22^{\circ}\text{C}.$  = 14 per ml. of water.

*Presumptive B. Coli.* None in 100 ml. of water.

The examination shows that this water is satisfactory according to the standard recommended by the Ministry of Health.

6th December, 1937.

(Signed) P. L. SUTHERLAND.

Samples of water from the supply taken from the Leeds City supply have been analysed for Plumbo Solvency and with satisfactory results.

## PROPOSED WATER SCHEME.

The work in connection with supplying the Parishes of Appleton Roebuck, Colton and Bolton Percy with a piped water supply is now proceeding.

The question of a piped supply to the villages of Biggin, Little Fenton and Lumby is to be considered.

## WATER SUPPLY OF THE PARISH OF LEDSHAM.

[PRIVATE SUPPLY.]

(Derived from a spring in the Magnesian Limestone.)

*Bacterial Content.* Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for two days at  $37^{\circ}\text{C}.$  = 176 per ml. of water. Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for three days at  $22^{\circ}\text{C}.$  = 360 per ml. of water.

*Presumptive B. Coli Content.* 25 in 100 ml. of water.

The examination shows that the water is unsatisfactory according to the standard recommended by the Ministry of Health.

(Signed) P. L. SUTHERLAND.

An immediate investigation of the source of this supply was made, and certain unsatisfactory conditions were discovered in the vicinity of the spring.

The Agent for the property was communicated with, who at once undertook to effect a re-construction of certain property. When these works have been carried out further analyses will be made.

[These works have now been effected, and a subsequent analysis of the water has proved satisfactory. Further analyses will be made.]



## WATER SUPPLY OF THE VILLAGE OF LEDSTON.

[PRIVATE SUPPLY.]

(Derived from a spring in the Magnesian Limestone.)

A sample of water has been analysed with the following result:—

*Bacterial Content.* Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for two days at 37°C.=1,440 per ml. of water. Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for two days at 22° C.=21 per ml. of water.

*Presumptive B. Coli.* None in 100 ml. of water.

The examination shows that this water is satisfactory according to the standard recommended by the Ministry of Health.

(Signed) P. L. SUTHERLAND.

## WATER SUPPLY OF THE VILLAGE OF SHERBURN

(And other Parishes in the Area).

[PURCHASED BY THE DISTRICT COUNCIL FROM THE  
LEEDS CITY CORPORATION.]

*Bacterial Content.* Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for two days at 37°C.=12 per ml. of water. Average number of organisms developing on agar plates for two days at 22° C.=26 per ml. of water.

*Presumptive B. Coli.* None in 100 ml. of water.

The examination shows that this water is satisfactory according to the standard recommended by the Ministry.

(Signed) P. L. SUTHERLAND.

## DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

I.—SEWER EXTENSIONS.—Parish of Tadcaster E.	...	749 yards
„ Tadcaster W.	...	256 „
„ Austhorpe	... ..	42 „
„ Sherburn	... ..	309 „
„ Kippax	... ..	333 „

## II.—CONVERSIONS TO A WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM:—

Parish.		Conversions.
Kippax	... ..	4
Tadcaster East...	... ..	1
Barwick	... ..	1
Allerton Bywater	... ..	48
Sherburn	... ..	48
Gt. & L. Preston	... ..	1
		—
		103
		—

III.—APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF BOX AND PRIVY CONVENIENCES AT THE CLOSE OF THE YEAR IN THE MORE POPULOUS PARISHES OF :

	1936		1937	
	BOX.	PRIVIES.	BOX.	PRIVIES.
East Tadcaster .. .. .	1	43	1	42
West Tadcaster .. .. .	1	43	1	43
South Milford .. .. .	22	98	22	68
Micklefield .. .. .	6	154	6	154
Sherburn-in-Elmet .. .. .	3	217	3	168
Aberford .. .. .	9	99	9	99
Allerton Bywater (Lock Lane) ..	—	324	—	322
Allerton Bywater (Proper) ..	—	443	—	397
Austhorpe .. .. .	—	19	—	19
Barwick-in-Elmet .. .. .	—	242	—	241
Kippax .. .. .	—	510	—	506
Ledsham .. .. .	—	51	—	51
Ledston .. .. .	—	45	—	45
Gt. & L. Preston .. .. .	—	264	—	263
Swillington .. .. .	—	126	—	126
Copmanthorpe .. .. .	—	—	57	9
Bishopthorpe .. .. .	—	—	66	12
Askham Richard .. .. .	—	—	8	30
Acaster Malbis .. .. .	—	—	21	20

IV.—SCAVENGING.—This service is carried out by contract with the Council in 19 of the populous parishes. All these schemes are described as being adequate.

V.—MOVEABLE ASHBINS have been installed also in several of the Parishes.

VI.—TIPPING OF REFUSE.—There are 15 Tips in the District, as follows :—

Swillington	...	1	Allerton Bywater	...	1
Barwick	...	2	Aberford	...	2
South Milford	...	1	Sherburn	...	2
Micklefield	...	1	Tadcaster	...	1
Kippax	...	1	Church Fenton	...	1
Saxton	...	1	Bishopthorpe	...	1

The Inspector describes their condition as being fairly satisfactory.

VII.—SEWAGE DISPOSAL SCHEMES :

Sherburn	...	...	New Works in course of erection
Askham Bryan	...	...	Awaiting approval of the Ministry
Appleton Roebuck	...	...	New works approved. Construction held up till the Water Supply is completed.

PARISH OF LEDSHAM.

The question of providing this village with an adequate sewerage system should receive the attention of the Council.—As also the Parishes of Barkston and Saxton.



## STREAM POLLUTION.

Parish.				Action taken.
Copmanthorpe ... ..	The Foss Beck ... ..			Notice served.
Sherburn ... ..	Pollution of Dyke ...			Receiving attention.

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE DISTRICT.

At the end of this Section will be found Tables supplied by the Sanitary Inspector showing the work carried out during the year.

## REGULATED TRADES.

## THE FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACT, 1901.

Factories ... ..	52
Workshops ... ..	21
Out-workers ... ..	Nil
Notices served ... ..	Nil

## OFFENSIVE TRADES.

Type of Trade.	Number.
Fish Frying ... ..	34
Gut Scraping... ..	2

These premises are, generally, well kept.

## COMMON LODGING HOUSES.

The one Common Lodging House is kept in a satisfactory condition.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

## WESTERN DIVISION :—

Schools.	Piped Water.	Wells.	W.C.s.	Box.	Privies.
11 ...	10 ...	1 ...	5 ...	2 ...	4

## EASTERN DIVISION :—

Schools.	Piped Water.	Wells.	W.C.s.	Box.	Privies.
19 ...	13 ...	4 ...	6 ...	5 ...	5

The conveniences and the drainage at the Barkston School are not satisfactory, and these should receive attention. No action has yet been taken—the general sewerage of the village being involved.

## SMOKE ABATEMENT ACT, 1926.

Number of smoke observations reported upon, 5.

## SHOPS ACT, 1934.

Number of Inspections ... ..	14
Contraventions found ... ..	0
„ remedied ... ..	0

## HOUSING.

The number of houses erected by the District Council is as follows :—

### 1919 SCHEME.

Parish.	Number of Houses.		
Allerton Bywater	...	...	68
Kippax	...	...	48
Micklefield	...	...	60
Sherburn-in-Elmet	...	...	54
South Milford	...	...	12
Swillington	...	...	60
Tadcaster	...	...	48
			—
			350

### HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1924.

Parish.	Number of Houses.		
Allerton Bywater	...	...	140
Askham Bryan	...	...	4
Barwick-in-Elmet	...	...	10
Kippax	...	...	62
Kirk Fenton	...	...	18
Micklefield	...	...	80
Sherburn-in-Elmet	...	...	20
Swillington	...	...	116
Tadcaster	...	...	48
Aberford	...	...	6
			—
			504

### HOUSING ACTS, 1930—1936.

Parish.	Number of Houses.		
Aberford	...	...	10
Austhorpe	...	...	8
Copmanthorpe	...	...	16
Kippax	...	...	64
Sherburn-in-Elmet	...	...	38
South Milford	...	...	38
Tadcaster	...	...	48
			—
			222

## TOTAL HOUSES BUILT BY THE DISTRICT COUNCIL :—

Housing Act.		Houses.
1919	... ..	350
1924	... ..	504
1930—1936	... ..	222
		<hr/>
Total	... ..	1076

## HOUSING WORK IN PROGRESS :

APPLETON ROEBUCK.—Scheme prepared and tenders obtained for the erection of 6 houses.

Awaiting final approval of the Minister of Health.

SHERBURN-IN-ELMET.—Scheme prepared and plans submitted to the Minister of Health for the erection of 86 houses. 78 houses in respect of re-housing persons displaced under the Slum Clearance Scheme, and 8 houses for overcrowding.

BARWICK-IN-ELMET.—The survey of this Parish is not yet completed. A Site has been acquired, but it is impossible yet to say how many houses will be required.

ULLESKELF.—Survey completed. Still one or two cases outstanding, but a Scheme is to be put in hand. "Difficulty of Site." Present Site not sewered. Only about 6 houses required.

BARKSTON ASH AND SAXTON.—The survey of these two Parishes has been completed, but it is impossible to yet say the exact number of houses required. In the Parish of Barkston, the Council has declared three Clearance Orders which have not yet been confirmed by the Ministry.

SMALL DWELLINGS ACQUISITION ACTS.—Advances have been made to 112 applicants since the Act was adopted.

GREAT AND LITTLE PRESTON AND SWILLINGTON.—A Building Scheme has been submitted to the Ministry for the erection of 42 houses—15 for re-housing under the Slum Clearance Scheme and 27 to provide for overcrowding.

## TOWN PLANNING.

A Town Planning Scheme has been formulated for a portion of the Parishes of Barwick-in-Elmet and Austhorpe.

**SUMMARY OF HOUSING WORK CARRIED OUT SINCE  
THE HOUSING ACT, 1930, BECAME OPERATIVE.**

TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1937.

Parish.	Houses in Clearance Areas.	Individual Houses dealt with.	Houses demolished.	New Council Houses erected for displaced tenants.	Houses repaired.
Aberford ... ..	—	33	14	10	11
Allerton Bywater ...	—	30	2	—	20
Appleton Roebuck ...	—	68	—	—	36
Askham Bryan ... ..	—	6	—	—	3
Austhorpe ... ..	—	9	—	8	—
Barkston Ash ... ..	11 (Not yet confirmed)	36	—	—	6
Barwick-in-Elmet ...	—	55	—	—	9
Copmanthorpe ... ..	—	1	—	—	—
East Tadcaster ... ..	24	16	11	48	3
West Tadcaster ... ..	21	13	11		1
Gt. and L. Preston ...	—	50	—	—	14
Kippax ... ..	62	103	24	64	70
Kirk Fenton ... ..	—	6	—	—	4
Ledsham ... ..	—	8	—	—	8
Saxton-cum-Scarthing- well	—	37	—	—	1
Sherburn-in-Elmet ...	74	225	11	38	85
South Milford... ..	—	56	28	38	7
Swillington ... ..	—	7	—	—	1
Ulleskelf ... ..	—	50	2	—	8
Totals ... ..	192	809	103	206	287
Sherburn-in-Elmet Improvement Area	22	—	8	Included in above.	14
Grand Totals ... ..	214	809	111	206	301

## HOUSING ACT, 1936.

Table I.

ACTION TAKEN DURING YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1937.

SECTION 9.						SECTION 11.								CLEARANCE AREAS.					HOUSING RURAL WORKERS' ACT.		
Parish	No. of Dwelling-houses dealt with	By Preliminary Notice	By Statutory Notice	Dwelling-houses made fit		Parish.	No of Dwelling-houses dealt with	Undertakings given by Owner		Dwellinghouses made fit	Demolition Orders made	Dwellinghouses Demolished	Application made to County Court	Parish.	No. of Area	Situation.	No. of Dwelling-houses dealt with	Dwellinghouses Demolished	Other Buildings Demolished	Parish.	No. of Houses dealt with
				By Owners	By Council			To Repair	To Close												
Barkston Ash ..	10	..	10	..	..	Barkston Ash ..	23	5	..	5	3	..	..	Sherburn-in-Elmet	1	Dickinson's Yard	3	1 ho use with dra-wn - to be used as store.		Appleton Roebuck	13
Saxton-cum-Scarthingwell	13	..	13	..	..	Barwick-in-Elmet	31	1	1	1	..	..	..							Barwick-in-Elmet	3
Sherburn-in-Elmet	4	..	4	..	..	Copmanthorpe ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..		2	Finkle Hill ..	4				
						Kippax .. ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..		3	Finkle Hill ..	2				
						Saxton-cum-Scarthingwell	24	1	1	1	..	..	..		4	Moor Lane ..	2				
						Sherburn-in-Elmet	14	..	3	..	..	..	..		5	Baker's Yard ..	4				
															6	Kirkgate ..	5				
															7	Leaden Hall Square ..	9				
															8	Broomhead's Yard	7				
															9	Kirkgate ..	6				
															10	Church Hill ..	4				
															11	Church Hill ..	2				
															12	Church Hill and Garden Lane	Not ed.	con firm			
															13	Denison's Yard..	4				
															14	Garden Lane ..	4				
															15	Garden Lane ..	3				
									16	Kirkgate ..	3										
									17	Jackson's Yard ..	3										
									18	Moor Lane ..	6										
									19	Station Road ..	3										
									20	Aerodrome Cott.	Not ed.	con firm									
													Barkston Ash ..	..	Preliminary In-spections made for 3 Clearance Areas.	11					
Totals .. ..	27	..	27	..	..		94	7	5	7	3	..	..		..		85	..	..		16



## HOUSING ACT, 1936.

Table II.

DWELLINGHOUSES REPAIRED OR DEMOLISHED DURING YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER, 1937.

SECTION 9.						SECTION 11.								CLEARANCE AREAS.				
Parish	No. of Dwelling-houses dealt with	By Preliminary Notice	By Statutory Notice	Dwelling-houses made fit		Parish.	No of Dwelling-houses dealt with	Undertakings given by Owner		Dwellinghouses made fit	Demolition Orders made	Dwellinghouses Demolished	Application made to County Court	Parish.	Situation.	No. of Dwelling-houses dealt with	Dwellinghouses Demolished	Other Buildings Demolished
				By Owners	By Council			To Repair	To Close									
Appleton Roebuck	1935 2	..	2	2	..	Appleton Roebeck	1935 12	12	..	12	..	..	.	West Tadcaster ..	Moore's Yard ..	1934 4	4	..
Great and Little Preston	1935 2	..	2	2	..	Barkston Ash ..	1937 5	5	..	5	..	..	..		Chapel Yard ..	9	9	..
Sherburn-in-Elmet	1936 32	..	31	31	..	Barwick-in-Elmet	1936 3	3	..	3	..	..	..					
Ulleskelf .. ..	1935 5	..	5	5	..		1937 2	1	1	1	..	..	..					
						Saxton-cum-Scarthingwell	1937 2	1	1	1	..	..	..					
						Sherburn-in-Elmet	1936 41	39	1	39	..	..	..					
							1937 3	..	3	..	..	..	..					
						South Milford ..	1934 25	1	1	1	23	23	..					
							1935 2	..	..	..	2	2	..					
						Ulleskelf .. ..	1935 2	..	..	..	2	2	..					
							1936 1	1	..	1	..	..	..					
						West Tadcaster ..	1933 2	1	..	1	1	1	..					
							1935 1	..	..	..	1	1	..					
	41	..	40	40	..		101	64	7	64	29	29	..			13	13	..

## BUG INFESTATION.

(a)	Number of	(1) Council Houses	} Found to be infested and	(1) Infested	...	5.
		(2) Other Houses		disinfested	...	1.
				(2) Infested	...	35.
				Disinfested	...	—

(b) Methods employed for disinfestation ... Furniture treated by Van H.C.N. Bedding by Steam.

(c) Methods employed for ensuring that the belongings of } Houses are inspected for the presence of vermin and  
Tenants are free from Vermin before being re-housed } disinfection carried out by above method. (No. for 1937 = 35.

(d) Whether work is carried out by the L.A. or by a Contractor ... Contractor.

# **LIST OF HOUSES TAKEN FROM VALUATION LIST ON 1st JANUARY, 1938.**

Parish.	Houses over £26 Gross Value.	Houses of £26 Gross Value and under.	Houses connected to Water Supply.
Aberford... ..	22	154	152
Acaster Malbis ... ..	7	57	—
Acaster Selby ... ..	—	21	—
Allerton Bywater ... ..	29	1228	1248
Appleton Roebuck ... ..	11	109	—
Askham Bryan... ..	17	83	82
Askham Richard ... ..	6	35	—
Austhorpe ... ..	3	22	7
Barkston Ash ... ..	5	67	55
Barwick-in-Elmet ... ..	155	704	757
Biggin ... ..	—	32	—
Bilbrough ... ..	9	37	29
Bishopthorpe ... ..	48	282	326
			(York Supply)
Bolton Percy ... ..	7	58	—
Catterton ... ..	—	8	—
Colton ... ..	3	28	—
Copmanthorpe ... ..	23	205	163
			(York Supply)
East Tadcaster... ..	23	431	447
Great and Little Preston ... ..	3	314	319
Grimston ... ..	3	15	1
Healaugh ... ..	5	48	5
Huddleston-with-Newthorpe ... ..	1	28	—
Kippax ... ..	52	1191	1238
Kirk Fenton ... ..	10	170	163
Kirkby Wharfe... ..	6	28	19
Lead ... ..	—	9	—
Ledsham ... ..	4	70	—
Ledston ... ..	3	111	74
Little Fenton ... ..	1	20	—
Lotherton ... ..	9	91	92
Micklefield ... ..	4	458	459
Newton Kyme ... ..	6	43	—
Oxton ... ..	3	9	—
Parlington ... ..	—	53	31
Ryther-cum-Ozendyke ... ..	3	61	18
Saxton-cum-Scarthingwell ... ..	6	68	50
Sherburn-in-Elmet ... ..	44	509	515
South Milford ... ..	17	319	193
Steeton ... ..	1	13	7
Sturton Grange ... ..	1	10	4
Stutton-cum-Hazlewood ... ..	3	106	36
Swillington ... ..	12	411	412
Towton ... ..	2	19	12
Ulleskelf... ..	8	92	42
West Tadcaster ... ..	110	555	617
	685	8382	7573

## HOUSING STATISTICS.

### 1.—Inspection of Dwellinghouses during the year 1937 :—

1. (a) Total number of Dwellinghouses inspected for Housing defects (under Public Health or Housing Acts) .. .. .	154
(b) Number of Inspections made for the purpose .. .. .	1263
2. (a) Number of dwellinghouses (included under sub-head 1 above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing and Consolidated Regulations, 1925. .. .. .	154
(b) Number of inspections made for the purpose .. .. .	1263
3. Number of dwellinghouses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation. ..	127
4. Number of dwellinghouses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation. .. .. .	27

### 2.—REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES.

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their Officers ..	1
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### 3.—ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR:

#### A.—Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936:

(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs .. .. .	27
(2) Number of dwellinghouses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :—	
(a) By owners .. .. .	Nil
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ..	Nil

#### B.—Proceedings under Public Health Acts :—

(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied .. .. .	Nil
(2) Number of dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :—	
(a) By owners .. .. .	Nil
(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ..	Nil



## C.—Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936.

(1) Number of dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made .. .. .	3
(2) Number of dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders .. .. .	Nil

## D.—Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936 :—

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made .. ..	Nil
(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined, the tenement or room having been rendered fit .. ..	Nil

## 4.—HOUSING ACT, 1935. OVERCROWDING :—

A.—(1) Number of dwellinghouses overcrowded at the end of the year	249
(2) Number of families dwelling therein .. .. .	254
(3) Number of persons dwelling therein .. .. .	1562

B.—Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ..	Nil
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C.—(1) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ..	23
(2) Number of persons concerned in such cases .. ..	122

D.—Particulars of any cases in which dwellinghouses have again become overcrowded after the L.A. has taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding .. .. .	Nil
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E.—Any other particulars with respect to overcrowding conditions upon which the M.O.H. may desire to report .. ..	Nil
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5.—Number of cases of overcrowding in Council houses which have been relieved during the year .. .. .	Nil
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6.—Number of cases of overcrowding which have been relieved in the course of Slum Clearance operations .. .. .	23
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# SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

For the year ending 31st December, 1937.

## HOUSING ACTS, 1930--1936

Number of dwellinghouses inspected .. .. .	154
Number of inspections made .. .. .	1263

### ACTION TAKEN UNDER STATUTORY POWERS :—

SECTION 9.—Number of dwellinghouses requiring repairs .. .. .	27
" Statutory Notices served .. .. .	27
" " " complied with .. .. .	Nil
" Informal Notices served .. .. .	1
" " " complied with .. .. .	1
" dwellinghouses made fit by the L. A. in default .. .. .	Nil
SECTION 11.—Number of dwellinghouses found unfit .. .. .	94
" Statutory Notices served .. .. .	94
" dwellinghouses made fit by Owners .. .. .	7
" " demolished .. .. .	Nil

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS.

Number of houses inspected .. .. .	118
" nuisances found .. .. .	110
" Statutory Notices served .. .. .	4
" " " complied with .. .. .	3
" Informal Notices served .. .. .	75
" " " complied with .. .. .	57
" new privies and ashpits built .. .. .	2
" privies converted to W.C.'s .. .. .	103
" ashbins provided in lieu of ashpits .. .. .	47
" additional W.C.'s built for old property .. .. .	56
" overcrowding cases abated .. .. .	23
" houses re-drained .. .. .	52
" nuisances abated .. .. .	97
" nuisances in hand at close of year .. .. .	28

## WATER SUPPLY.

Number of water samples collected for bacteriological examination .. .. .	5
" " " chemical analysis .. .. .	Nil
" wells closed .. .. .	Nil
" pumps repaired .. .. .	1

## INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Number of notified cases inquired into and reports made .. .. .	201
" houses disinfected .. .. .	153
" cases where bedding was steam disinfected .. .. .	Nil
" " " was destroyed .. .. .	Nil
Schools disinfected .. .. .	1

## MILK & DAIRIES ORDER, 1926.

Number of inspections made to cowsheds and dairies .. .. .	343
" cowsheds reconditioned with new floors, light and ventilation .. .. .	6
" " cleansed and limewashed after informal notice .. .. .	23
" dairy farms provided with piped water supply .. .. .	1
" cowsheds built new .. .. .	1
" milk rooms provided .. .. .	3

## SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

Number of inspections made	..	..	..	..	..	1278
„ slaughter houses cleansed after informal notice	..	..	..	..	..	3
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	3

## BUTCHERS' SHOPS.

Number of inspections made	..	..	..	..	..	627
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

## PUBLIC HEALTH (MEAT) REGULATIONS, 1924.

Number of carcasses of meat inspected :—

Cattle 1272, Sheep 863, Pigs 1044. Total	..	..	..	..	..	3177
„ emergency slaughters notified	..	..	..	..	..	14
Amount of meat condemned	..	..	..	7 tons, 16 cwts, 2 Qrs.	..	..
Contraventions of regulations reported to L.A.	..	..	..	..	..	1
Legal proceedings taken	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

## FOOD PREMISES.

Number of inspections made to shops, etc., where food is prepared or stored for sale	..	..	..	..	..	..	35
Number of contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

## FACTORY AND WORKSHOPS ACT.

Number of workshops inspected	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
„ „ remedied	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
„ bakehouses inspected	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
„ „ remedied	..	..	..	..	..	..	1

## OFFENSIVE TRADES.

Number of inspections made	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
„ „ remedied	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

## PUBLIC HEALTH (SMOKE ABATEMENT) ACT, 1926.

Number of smoke observations reported upon	..	..	..	..	..	5
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## CANAL BOATS ACTS.

Number of canal boats inspected	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
„ contraventions found	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil
„ „ remedied	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil

## SCAVENGING.

Public scavenging supervised in the following parishes :—

Allerton Bywater, Askham Richard, Acaster Malbis, Austhorpe, Barwick-in-Elmct, Bishopthorpe, Copmanthorpe, Great and Little Preston, Kippax, Aberford, South Milford, Sherburn-in-Elmet, Micklefield, East Tadcaster, West Tadcaster, Ledston, Ledsham, Saxton and Swillington.

## INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS &amp; WORKPLACES.

PREMISES.	Number of		
	Inspections.	Written Notices.	Prosecutions.
Factories (including Factory Laundries) .. } Workshops (including Workshop Laundries) } Workplaces .. .. . }	5	10	—
	5	10	—

## DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS &amp; WORKPLACES.

PARTICULARS.	Number of Defects			Number of Prosecutions.
	Found.	Remedied	Referred to H.M. Inspector.	
<b>Nuisances under the Public Health Acts :—</b>				
Want of Cleanliness .. .. .	1	1	..	..
Want of Ventilation .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Overcrowding .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Want of drainage of floors .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other Nuisances—drains defective .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Offensive Accumulations .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Sanitary { Insufficient .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Accommodation { Defective .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Not separate .. .. .	..	..	..	..
<b>Offences under the Factory &amp; Workshops Act :</b>				
Illegal occupation of underground bakehouses (s. 101, 97-100) .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Other offences .. .. .	..	..	..	..
Sinks not disconnected.. .. .	..	..	..	..
	1	1	..	..

## SECTION IV.

### INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF THE FOOD SUPPLY.

#### MILK SUPPLY.

1. Number of Cowkeepers	...	...	...	...	...	265
2. Cowkeepers also Milk-sellers	...	...	...	...	...	160
3. Milk Retailers (not Cowkeepers) with Premises	...	...	...	...	...	1
„                    „            without Premises	...	...	...	...	...	28
4. Number of Cowsheds	...	...	...	...	...	350
5. Approximate Number of Cows	...	...	...	...	...	2,720
6. Number of Wholesale Producers	...	...	...	...	...	105
7. Register No. 1 (entries)	...	...	...	...	...	105
Register No. 2 (entries)	...	...	...	...	...	216
8. Milk Shops	...	...	...	...	...	1
9. Approximate Number of Premises upon which Milk-cooling is carried out	...	...	...	...	...	80

#### MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATION) ORDER, 1936.

	Tuberculin Tested.		Tuberculin Tested (Certified).		Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised).		Accredited		Pasteurised.
	—	...	—	...	—	...	19	...	—
Supplementary Licences	1	...	—	...	—	...	—	...	2

Reference to the Table at the end of this Section shows the number of Milk Premises which have been improved during the year.

Close co-operation is maintained with the Veterinary Officer of the County Council, and the Sanitary Inspector frequently accompanies the former on his inspections.

#### MEAT INSPECTION.

##### SLAUGHTER HOUSES.

Registered.		Licensed.
17	...	15

## BUTCHERS' SHOPS.

41 (with glass windows).      1 (with open window).

1—Total Number of Inspections made to Slaughter Houses at time of Slaughter	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,278
2—Number of Inspections to each S.H.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Weekly	
3—Number of Carcases inspected—(1) Cattle	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		1,272
(2) Sheep	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		863
(3) Pigs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		1,044
4—Amount of Meat condemned...	...	...	...	...	...	7	16	2	
Notification of Special Slaughter	...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	

## PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1925, SEC. 72.

Number of Inspections of Shops in which food is prepared      ...      35

## BACON FACTORY (SHERBURN-IN-ELMET).

Meat Inspection under the Public Health (Meat) Regulations, 1924, is performed by a local Veterinary Practitioner on behalf of the District Council.

With reference to the complaints of offensive smells emanating from the Sewage Disposal Works of the Bacon Factory at Sherburn-in-Elmet, commented upon in the Report of last year, arrangements have now been made for an extension of the new Sewage Works being installed in the Parish by which the effluent from the Factory can be treated, and a financial arrangement has been entered into between the District Council and the Factory management.

## SHELL FISH REGULATIONS, 1934.

No action has been called for during the year.

## SECTION V.

### PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

From Table II. it will be seen that 166 notifications were received during the year.

120 cases were removed to Hospital.

### INCIDENCE OF THE PRINCIPAL INFECTIOUS DISEASES FOR THE YEARS 1926—30.

Year.	Diph- theria.	Erysipelas.	Scarlet Fever.	Enteric Fever.	Small- Pox.	C.S. Fever.	Polio- myelitis
1926-1930 ...	30 ...	12 ...	116 ...	26 ...	18 ..	— ...	—
1931 ...	50 ...	8 ...	96 ...	— ...	— ...	— ...	—
1932 ...	14 ...	9 ...	55 ...	1 ...	— ...	— ...	—
1933 ...	41 ...	13 ...	97 ...	2 ...	— ...	2 ...	—
1934 ...	45 ...	13 ...	— ...	1 ...	— ...	1 ...	—
1935 ...	67 ...	17 ...	93 ...	— ...	— ...	— ...	—
1936 ...	73 ...	9 ...	160 ...	— ...	— ...	— ...	1
1937 ...	61 ...	12 ...	63 ...	— ...	— ...	— ...	—

### PUERPERAL FEVER AND PUERPERAL PYREXIA

One case of Puerperal Fever and two of Pyrexia were notified.

Number of cases of Puerperal Fever and Pyrexia notified since the year 1926 :—

	Puerperal Pyrexia.		Hospital.		Puerperal Fever.		Hospital	
1926 ...	—	...	—	...	3	...	3	
1927 ...	—	...	—	...	1	...	1	
1928 ...	5	...	3	...	1	...	1	
1929 ...	3	...	1	...	2	...	1	
1930 ...	4	...	1	...	2	...	1	
1931 ...	5	...	3	...	1	...	1	
1932 ...	2	...	2	...	2	...	—	
1933 ...	1	...	1	...	—	...	—	
1934 ...	4	...	2	...	1	...	1	
1935 ...	—	...	—	...	1	...	1	
1936 ...	2	...	2	...	1	...	—	
1937 ...	3	...	2	...	—	...	—	



## DIPHTHERIA.

74 cases of the disease were notified, of which it was decided after observation in hospital that 12 were "carriers" of the disease and one was suffering from some other complaint.

Of the balance of 61 cases, 40 occurred in the village of Micklefield and nine in the Parish of Kippax. Of the 40 patients from Micklefield, 13 were stated to have been "immunised," though it was a little doubtful whether they had each received the full course of three injections. Of the nine cases from Kippax, only one patient had been "immunised," and in this case the information was to the effect that two injections only had been given.

All the cases were removed to hospital, and all the children in the school were "swabbed," as the result of which eight "carriers" were found, who were removed to hospital to receive "local" treatment, and were not discharged until three successive negative swabs had been obtained.

By arrangement with the County Education Authority, a film was exhibited in the village displaying the advantages to be obtained from "immunisation," and every effort was made locally to persuade parents to consent to their children being "immunised" against the disease.

Considerable anxiety was displayed by representatives at the continued prevalence of the disease, and they were inclined to lay the blame on alleged unsatisfactory conditions in the village.

Diphtheria is, however, one of the many diseases spread by "droplet" infection, and the only known means of prevention is by "immunisation."

The Education Authority has done all in its power—by means of films, lectures and the distribution of literature—to disseminate information as to the practical advantages to be obtained from "immunisation," and the matter rests solely with the parents whether they avail themselves of the facilities offered to them.

There were six deaths from the disease—four of the children had definitely not been "immunised"; one, a child under five, was said to have been "immunised" the previous year; and in the second case full enquiries failed to prove that the patient had been "immunised."



## MATERNAL MORTALITY.

The Maternal Mortality for the Rural District for the years 1930—1935 is as follows:—

Years.	Deaths.	Births.	Death Rate.	Total.	England and Wales.	Total.
1930	{ Sepsis ... 1 Other Causes nil }	582	{ Sepsis 1·7 Other nil }	1·7	{ Sepsis 1·92 Other 2·68 }	4·40
1931	{ Sepsis ... 1 Other ... nil }	471	{ Sepsis ·03 Other nil }	·03	{ Sepsis 1·60 Other 2·45 }	4·11
1932	{ Sepsis ... nil Other ... 1 }	492	{ Sepsis nil Other 0·3 }	·03	{ Sepsis 1·61 Other 2·63 }	4·24
1933	{ Sepsis ... 2 Other ... nil }	445	{ Sepsis 0·6 Other nil }	·06	{ Sepsis 1·79 Other 2·63 }	4·42
1934	{ Sepsis ... nil Other ... nil }	461	{ Sepsis nil Other nil }	—	{ Sepsis 1·95 Other 2·46 }	4·41
1935	{ Sepsis ... 1 Other ... nil }	437	{ Sepsis 2·1 Other nil }	2·1	{ Sepsis 1·61 Other 2·32 }	3·93
1936	{ Sepsis ... nil Other ... nil }	480	{ Sepsis nil Other nil }	—	{ Sepsis 1·34 Other 2·31 }	3·65
1937	{ Sepsis ... 1 Other ... 2 }	494	{ Sepsis 2·0 Other 4·0 }	6·07	{ Sepsis ·94 Other 2·17 }	3·11

## PNEUMONIA REGULATIONS, 1928.

25 cases were notified. 2 cases were removed to hospital.

## OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM.

Two cases were notified.

## SCHOOL CLOSURES FOR EPIDEMIC DISEASE.

Tadcaster—Roman Catholic	...	Jan. 18–25	...	Influenza.
„ Council	...	Jan. 21–29	...	„
„ „ Infants	...	June 21–July 16	...	Whooping Cough.
Healaugh	...	Jan. 21–Feb. 22	...	Measles.
Newton Kyme	...	Jan. 21–Jan. 29	...	Influenza.
Swillington (Mixed)	...	Jan. 25–Jan. 29	...	„
„ (Parochial)	...	Jan. 25–Jan. 29	...	„

## VACCINATION STATE OF THE TADCASTER DISTRICT.

Registration District.	Births Registered.	Successfully Vaccinated.	Deaths, &c.	Conscientious Objections.	
Tadcaster	... 141	... 92	... 14	... 34	... = 24%
Aberford	... 252	... 99	... 15	... 138	... = 54%

CASE RATE OF ACUTE INFECTIOUS DISEASE,  
PER 1,000 POPULATION LIVING.

		England and Wales		Tadcaster Rural District.
Small-pox ...	...	·00	...	·00
Scarlet Fever ...	...	2·33	...	1·9
Diphtheria ...	...	1·49	...	1·8
Enteric Fever ...	...	·05	...	·00
Puerperal Fever	}	13·93*	...	6·07*
Puerperal Pyrexia			...	
Erysipelas ...	...	·37	...	·37
Pneumonia ...	...	1·36	...	·77

\* Calculated per 1,000 total births.

TUBERCULOSIS.

15 cases of Pulmonary and 15 Non-Pulmonary Tuberculosis were notified, as compared with 12 Pulmonary and 9 Non-Pulmonary in the previous year.

Years.			Pulmonary.			Non-Pulmonary.
1926—1930	...	...	44·4	...	...	15·2
1931	...	...	35	...	...	9
1932	...	...	28	...	...	13
1933	...	...	12	...	...	13
1934	...	...	17	...	...	6
1935	...	...	28	...	...	14
1936	...	...	12	...	...	9
1937	...	...	15	...	...	15

18 cases were admitted to Sanatorium.

NEW CASES AND MORTALITY IN 1937.

Age Periods.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	Pulmonary.		Non-Pulmonary.		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M	F
0	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1
1	...	...	...	3	...	...	1	...
5	...	1	2	2	...	1	...	...
10	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...
15	...	...	1	2	1	1	...	...
20	2	3	...	...	...	1	...	...
25	1	2	2	...	1	1	...	...
35	1	3	...	...	1	3	...	...
45	...	...	...	...	1	1	...	...
55	2	...	1	..	...	...	...	...
65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
and upwards.	6	9	6	9	4	8	1	1

TABLE II.

Cases of Infectious Disease Notified during the Year 1937.

TADCASTER RURAL DISTRICT.

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